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From: Walts, Alan [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=9D1C6FCAE9AD45DB9F123817D2FB7011-AWALTS]
Sent: 8/4/2020 8:42:34 PM
To: Beckmann, Ronna Erin [beckmann.ronna@epa.gov]
CC: Singer, Joshua [Singer.Joshua@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: BND Inquiry: Response to Centreville Letter from Sen. Durbin and Sen. Duckworth

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

On Aug 4, 2020, at 2:56 PM, Beckmann, Ronna Erin <beckmann.ronna@epa.gov> wrote:

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On Aug 4, 2020, at 2:45 PM, Walts, Alan <walts.alan@epa.gov> wrote:

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On Aug 4, 2020, at 2:42 PM, Singer, Joshua <Singer.Joshua@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Alan and Ronna,

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From: Walts, Alan <walts.alan@epa.gov>
Sent: Saturday, August 01, 2020 7:09 AM
To: Singer, Joshua <Singer.Joshua@epa.gov>; Kelley, Jeff <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>; Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov>
Cc: Beckmann, Ronna Erin <beckmann.ronna@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: BND Inquiry: Response to Centreville Letter from Sen. Durbin and Sen. Duckworth

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From: Singer, Joshua <Singer.Joshua@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2020 5:48 PM
To: Walts, Alan <walts.alan@epa.gov>; Kelley, Jeff <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>; Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov>
Cc: Beckmann, Ronna Erin <beckmann.ronna@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: BND Inquiry: Response to Centreville Letter from Sen. Durbin and Sen. Duckworth

Hi Alan,

Is there any new info to use for the statement? Please let me know when you can. Have a good weekend. Thank you.

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From: Walts, Alan <walts.alan@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2020 9:35 AM
To: Kelley, Jeff <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>; Singer, Joshua <Singer.Joshua@epa.gov>; Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov>
Cc: Beckmann, Ronna Erin <beckmann.ronna@epa.gov>
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Good refinement

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From: Kelley, Jeff <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, July 31, 2020 8:58 AM

To: Singer, Joshua <Singer.Joshua@epa.gov>; Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov>
Cc: Walts, Alan <walts.alan@epa.gov>; Beckmann, Ronna Erin <beckmann.ronna@epa.gov>
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Jeff Kelley

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From: Singer, Joshua <Singer.Joshua@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, July 30, 2020 4:36 PM
To: Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov>
Cc: Kelley, Jeff <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>; Walts, Alan <walts.alan@epa.gov>; Beckmann, Ronna Erin <beckmann.ronna@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: BND Inquiry: Response to Centreville Letter from Sen. Durbin and Sen. Duckworth

Anne,

Alan provided the following language, which seems like a good basis for a desk statement. I made a few edits.
 Thanks.

From: Singer, Joshua <Singer.Joshua@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, July 30, 2020 11:50 AM
To: Walts, Alan <walts.alan@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: BND Inquiry: Response to Centreville Letter from Sen. Durbin and Sen. Duckworth

Hi Alan,

If you have drafted any language regarding this issue, please let me know. Thank you.

Josh

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Kelley, Jeff" <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>
Date: July 30, 2020 at 9:19:34 AM CDT
To: "Singer, Joshua" <Singer.Joshua@epa.gov>, "Rowan, Anne" <rowan.anne@epa.gov>
Cc: "Beckmann, Ronna Erin" <beckmann.ronna@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: BND Inquiry: Response to Centreville Letter from Sen. Durbin and Sen. Duckworth

I think Alan was starting on some language yesterday, so definitely check in with him before spending much time on this.

Jeff Kelley

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From: Singer, Joshua <Singer.Joshua@epa.gov>

Sent: Thursday, July 30, 2020 9:16 AM

To: Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov>

Cc: Beckmann, Ronna Erin <beckmann.ronna@epa.gov>; Kelley, Jeff <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: BND Inquiry: Response to Centreville Letter from Sen. Durbin and Sen. Duckworth

Please send me any info you can for the statement. Thank you.

On Jul 29, 2020, at 6:54 PM, Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov> wrote:

Thanks, Ronna.

On Jul 29, 2020, at 6:48 PM, Beckmann, Ronna Erin <beckmann.ronna@epa.gov> wrote:

Yes, I'll share what I know with josh.

Ronna Beckmann

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On Jul 29, 2020, at 6:40 PM, Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov> wrote:

Josh, can you work with the program on a proposed statement from Kurt? Ronna can provide some background...We'll need it first thing Thursday?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Beckmann, Ronna Erin" <beckmann.ronna@epa.gov>
Date: July 29, 2020 at 1:37:32 PM CDT
To: "Kelley, Jeff" <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>, "Rowan, Anne" <rowan.anne@epa.gov>
Cc: "Girard, Alexander" <girard.alexander@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: BND Inquiry: Response to Centreville Letter from Sen. Durbin and Sen. Duckworth

Also, there's already media attention: <https://www.bnd.com/news/local/article244568787.html>

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From: Kelley, Jeff <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, July 29, 2020 1:13 PM
To: Rowan, Anne <rowan.anne@epa.gov>
Cc: Girard, Alexander <girard.alexander@epa.gov>; Beckmann, Ronna Erin <beckmann.ronna@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: BND Inquiry: Response to Centreville Letter from Sen. Durbin and Sen. Duckworth

Anne, could you ask someone on the press team to take the lead on this inquiry that came into Kurt? Ronna is pretty familiar with the issue and can probably help with a statement.

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From: Kelley, Jeff
Sent: Wednesday, July 29, 2020 11:03 AM
To: Thiede, Kurt <thiede.kurt@epa.gov>; Girard, Alexander <girard.alexander@epa.gov>; Liebau, Joseph <Liebau.Joseph@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: BND Inquiry: Response to Centreville Letter from Sen. Durbin and Sen. Duckworth

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From: Thiede, Kurt <thiede.kurt@epa.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, July 29, 2020 10:56 AM

To: Girard, Alexander <girard.alexander@epa.gov>; Kelley, Jeff <kelley.jeff@epa.gov>; Liebau, Joseph <Liebau.Joseph@epa.gov>

Subject: Fwd: BND Inquiry: Response to Centreville Letter from Sen. Durbin and Sen. Duckworth

Kurt Thiede

Regional Administrator

EPA Region 5

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Paige, DeAsia" <dsutgrey@bnd.com>

Date: July 29, 2020 at 11:13:34 AM EDT

To: "Thiede, Kurt" <thiede.kurt@epa.gov>

Subject: BND Inquiry: Response to Centreville Letter from Sen. Durbin and Sen. Duckworth

Good morning,

I'm reaching out to see if you or your office has a response to a letter sent from Sen. Durbin and Sen. Duckworth calling for the EPA to conduct an investigation on recent flooding issues in Centreville, Illinois. The letter was sent yesterday afternoon and directly mentions you, so I'm wondering if you had any comment on that and your thoughts about the sewage issues in the area in general.

Are you available for a brief phone interview this week? Let me know what works best for you.

Thank you,

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